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The bridge [Point #5, Enclosure A] was being constructed to span the Volga River at Astrakhan between the Karl Marx Shipyard [Point #1] and the Astrakhan Petroleum Products Storage imeni Tsareva [Point #2], on the east bank of the Volga and between a sawmill and lumberyard [Point #4] and the Astrakhan Shipyard imeni Lenina [Point #3] on the west bank of the Volga.

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As of June 1951, there were three steel and reinforced concrete foundations stemming from the river bed which were only partially completed. These foundations were round and were about 12 m in diameter and 30 m high. On the banks of the river and extending along the route of the bridge, rectangular shaped foundations were being constructed. They were of steel and reinforced concrete, about four to five m thick, 19 m wide, and 25 to 30 m high.

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the bridge would be for  
rail, motor, and pedestrian traffic.

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The bridge was to be permanent, constructed of steel and reinforced concrete. The overall length was to be about two km long and the overall width 15 m. [redacted] six m would be for two railroad tracks, five m for auto traffic (both two way traffic), and the remainder for side-walks and railings.

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This bridge would be connected by rail with the bridge over the Bolda River. The construction of these connecting lines Point #6 had already begun and the lines were circumventing the eastern edge of Astrakhan, and joining the railroad line Point #1 entering and leaving Trusevo 4622N-4805E. The complete route from the Bolda River Bridge to the new bridge will be shown in a forthcoming report, City Plan of Astrakhan.

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The street railway system would not be extended across the bridge to Trusevo.

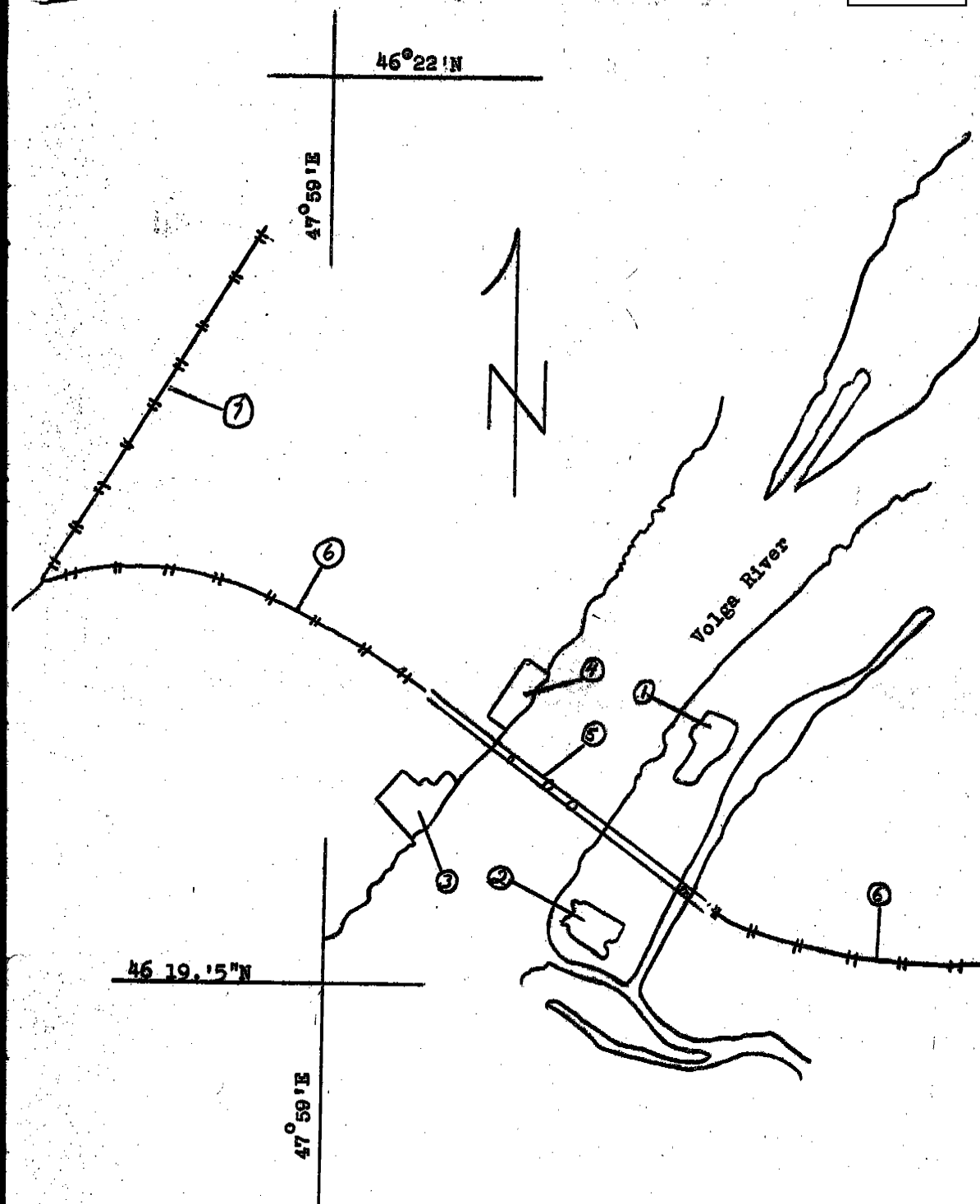
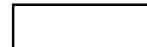
[redacted] very few of the local people were employed on this job. About 90 per cent of the construction workers had been brought into Astrakhan for the job. These people lived in barracks about four km south-southwest of the bridge. The bridge probably is completed by this date.

Enclosure A: Overlay of Proposed Astrakhan Bridge.

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Enclosure A

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